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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of :  
Shinichi YASUEDA et al. : Attn: BOX PCT  
Serial No. NEW : Docket No. 2000\_0436A  
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AQUEOUS LIQUID PHARMACEUTICAL :  
COMPOSITION :  
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claim 3, line 2, delete "or 2".

Claim 4, line 2, delete "or 2".

Claim 5, line 2, delete "or 2".

~~Please add the following new claims:~~

--9. The aqueous liquid pharmaceutical composition according to claim 2, where the composition is in the form of eye drops.

10. The aqueous liquid pharmaceutical composition according to claim 2, where the composition is in the form of ear drops.

11. The aqueous liquid pharmaceutical composition according to claim 2, where the composition is in the form of nasal drops.--